

EYFS at Hagbourne C.E. Primary School



Intent

At Hagbourne School, we embrace our vision to prepare each child for their future in an ever changing world.

Our aim is to provide an inspiring EYFS curriculum and environment that ignites a love of learning and educates all children to excel as individuals.

Our curriculum is intended to:

- Offer our children a strong foundation and a love of learning to give our children the best chance to become well-rounded, happy individuals and ready to succeed in an ever-changing world
- Provide our children with the skills, knowledge and understanding they need to develop into well rounded, informed individuals with high aspirations
- Cater for the needs of all pupils
- Embed and develop our vision for Hagbourne School through the parable of the Good Samaritan and our values of Care, Courage, Respect and Responsibility
- Provide an active, hands-on curriculum with a range of motivating and exciting opportunities
- Provide a thematic curriculum that draws creative and meaningful links between a range of curriculum subjects and develops cultural capital opening children's eyes to the world beyond their immediate environment
- Be up-to-date, relevant and prepare children for life in a rapidly changing world based on research, evaluation and review
- Educate the whole child and develop strategies for well being and good mental health to enable children to live happy, healthy and productive lives
- Build resilience and encourage a positive mindset amongst our children as it is often through mistakes we learn the most.
- Provide stretch and challenge for all pupils, and which constantly stimulates, inspires and broadens their interests.

Implement

We recognise that children will learn most effectively when they are healthy, safe and secure, when their individual needs are met and when they have positive relationships with the adults who care for them. We aim to provide a setting that encompasses a safe and stimulating environment where children are able to enjoy learning and grow in confidence that helps them to achieve their potential

In Early Years, we begin with a strong emphasis on intentional teaching sessions and adult-led activities to build the foundation of the children's learning skills and knowledge and understanding of the curriculum, so that they can apply this learning to child-initiated activities and through continuous provision.

Our curriculum design effectively underpins the learning at Hagbourne School. The curriculum is planned and implemented using a thematic approach across the school. This approach gives children the opportunities to apply learning from across the curriculum that gives their work practical context and also opportunities to apply knowledge and skills they have learned through a variety of learning opportunities.

Our children are assessed in relation to their progress towards Development Matters and the Early Learning Goals. These judgements are made on the basis of accumulative observations and in-depth knowledge of the children acquired through ongoing assessments. Next steps are taught in the moment during continuous provision and adult led activities to ensure children are challenged. End-of-year assessments are finalised during the summer term, summarising each child's development at that point against the Early Learning Goals and Development Matters.

Impact

Our children will be actively engaged in their learning and the enjoyment of this learning will be apparent in their daily provision. All children will have experienced a curriculum that provides exciting and enriching learning experiences and opportunities for them to learn through educational visits and practical experiences.

Our young learners will be able to appreciate and understand the world around them by experiencing and learning about different cultures, celebrations, music, art and history. Children will actively ask questions about the world around them and their learning experiences. They will be able to take risks as this is an opportunity to learn.

We also aim to help children to make sense of the world around them, through our school values of kindness, love, faithfulness and an understanding of their rights and the rights of others in an ever-changing world. Our Early Years children will be successful learners and fully prepared for the next stage of their education as they transition from Early Years Foundation Stage into Key Stage One.

We know that by the end of Foundation Stage at Hagbourne CE Primary School, our children will have developed the essential knowledge and skills required for everyday life and lifelong learning. We believe the children will be happy, inquisitive and successful learners who have bright futures.